



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, throughout its long and distinguished history, the Idaho Beef Industry has had tremendous impact on local communities and the economy of Idaho; and*

*WHEREAS, there are currently over 1.99 million head of cattle in Idaho valued at nearly \$1.91 billion dollars; and*

*WHEREAS, for over 100 years, Idaho cattle ranchers have formed a natural partnership of land stewardship and productivity through generations of ranching families that care for our natural resources and quality of life; and*

*WHEREAS, Idaho cattle producers continue to meet the challenges of a changing industry to provide lean, high quality, nutritious and safe Beef products to consumers; and*

*WHEREAS, Beef is a significant source of many nutrients – protein, zinc, iron and B-vitamins - that are essential to good health, and Beef's role in a balanced and varied diet has been confirmed by leading health organizations; and*

*WHEREAS, the Idaho Beef Industry, with funding provided by producers through the beef checkoff, works to increase consumer demand for beef through promotion, education and research programs;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim July 2003, to be*

**IDAHO BEEF MONTH**

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this tenth day of July in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.*

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Devin Toura in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DEVIN TOURA  
SECRETARY OF STATE